GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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SALE OF GASOHOL PETROL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to sell gasohol petrol all over the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Bureau of Indian Standard has approved the gasohol petrol; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which it is different from the petrol?

Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government have decided to supply Gasohol, which is petrol doped with ethanol upto 5% in the country in two phases, for which modalities are at formulation stage.

(c) Blending of alcohol upto 5% is already within BIS specification no. BIS 2796-2000.

(d) Blends containing 5% ethanol is regarded as petrol only and these blends are rich in oxygen and help in reducing carbon monoxide emissions.